

## **NEW JERSEY COUNCIL FOR EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN 2025-2026 SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

**The Council for Exceptional Children is a non-profit professional organization founded in 1922. The 2,000 New Jersey members are dedicated to quality education for all exceptional children.**

**The New Jersey Council for Exceptional Children will award several scholarships annually, ranging from \$1000 to \$2,500 to high school seniors who are disabled and who will be pursuing some form of post-secondary education or training.**

**To be eligible, an individual must email a completed packet to:  
Mr. Barry Schwartz, Awards Chair NJCEC at: [bms17@verizon.net](mailto:bms17@verizon.net)  
All nominations **MUST** be sent by February 14, 2026**

**Incomplete applications or applications received after the  
deadline will not be considered.**

**Each packet must include the following items:**

- a. Completed scholarship application.**
- b. A statement from the child study team indicating a recognized disability.  
DO NOT SEND I.E.P's or confidential study team records/files.**
- c. Complete an approved secondary education program and provide a transcript of that program. District grading policies should be included.**
- d. Two letters of recommendation.**
- e. Submit evidence of acceptance to a post-secondary education or training program. (This may be sent after the scholarship is accepted).**
- f. Provide the name and address of your local newspaper for a press release.**

**These may include 2 or 4 year college, technical schools, business schools, fine arts institutes, or other recognized programs.**

**QUESTIONS? Contact Mr. Barry Schwartz**

**Phone: (Evenings) (973) 464-3147 E-mail: [bms17@verizon.net](mailto:bms17@verizon.net)**

## 2026 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION (Must Type)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Town: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Secondary School: \_\_\_\_\_

Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Awards Ceremony Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name and title of school official recommending you: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Name and address of the post -secondary school you will attend:

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**Please attach a copy of your acceptance letter.**

What subject area are you planning to study? \_\_\_\_\_

2. What is, or was, your high school Grade Point Average? \_\_\_\_\_

3. Briefly describe the nature of your disability: \_\_\_\_\_

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4. List any school activities you have had:

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5. List any community activities you have had: \_\_\_\_\_

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6. List any employment experience you have had: \_\_\_\_\_

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7. List your interests, hobbies and special talents/gifts: \_\_\_\_\_

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8. List any awards, honors or other achievements: \_\_\_\_\_

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9. State in 150 words or less, why you are applying for this scholarship: (Use additional paper)

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Signature of applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parent(s) or Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Town: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (       ) \_\_\_\_\_

Please provide the name and address of your local newspaper for a press release if you are selected: \_\_\_\_\_

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This application and signature gives permission, if selected as a recipient of an award or scholarship, for NJCEC to include their name, picture and award on the NJCEC website, newsletter and other communications about their scholarship.

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